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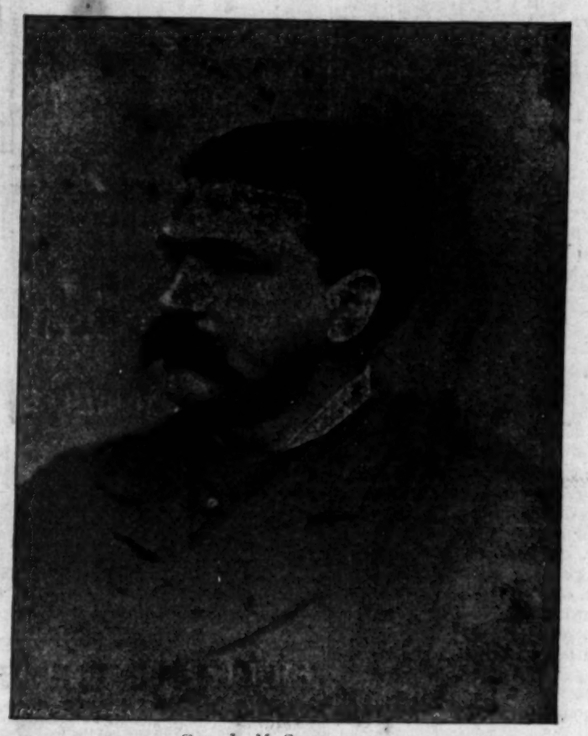

COL. L. M. SAUNDERS.
A proper successor to Commissioner Wight.

DR. WILLIAM TINDALL.
One of the founders of the Republican Party in the District of Columbia.

Politicians ought to tell the truth.

Put a small man in a big position and he will forget himself.

Why is justice in Washington like the weather?

Because it is changeable. The justice that is meted out to the white man not given to the negro.

There is but little hope for the negro in the South.

The BEE editor is not looking for an office and neither does he want one.

Unhappy is the man who hangs on official favors.

Abolish the office of justice of the peace.

It is better that they are abolished

All offices in the District of Columbia should be filled by election.

The negro vote will divide in 1900.

Our new leadership is made out of that which cannot be seen.

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E. M. Hewlett is the most manly negro attorney before the District bar.

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If there was more manhood in negro attorneys they would succeed better.

Be truthful, it will pay always.

There is too much treachery among certain negroes to succeed.

This world was not made for the white man alone.

It is not well to tell all you know.

Be careful of what you say and to whom you say it.

Don't be too hasty in coming to a conclusion.

The Maryland politicians have not been cared for as yet.

Will the negro vote ever become a factor in American body politic?

Be what you say you ar nothing more.

Deception is sooner or later detected.

An honest man is a truthful man.

You should do nothing that is distasteful to good society.

It is not the person who grins in your face, that should be regarded as your friend.

Don't place too much confidence in the person who pretends friendship.

Be honest with your fellow man.

The best policy is when you can not do a thing say so.

It will never effect you to be truthful.

on't be alarmed at every little noise.

The try daily has been struggling hard since its publication.

It came out one day and has been trying hard ever since to make its appearance daily.

Can any one tell the difference between the old school and new school of politicians?

Well out of the great number of officers appointed in the army not one negro was appointed.

What has become of the repeal the civil service law?

Don't forget how the negroes fought on San Juan Hill.

General Miles thinks well of the negro soldiers.

And yet not a negro officer has been appointed in the regular army

The man who speaks the truth is the man to trust.

Don't be too impetuous in yonr deliberation.

The man who thinks he knows it all is generally affected with the big head.

There was tyranny in the schools on the part of certain school officers.

There are some school officials too much on the old woman order.

The day will soon come when all will be placed on a level.

It is not the wise man who makes a fool of himself.

Our head swells some times beonp the usual size.

SOME WEALTHY BEGGARS.

Professionals Who Were Worth Vast Amounts of Money.

In 1895 a beggar who died in Auxerre, France, was found to have 1,000,000 francs in bonds in a trunk and in his cellar 400 bottles of wine of the vintage of 1790.

When Tori, a well-known Italian professional beggar, died, there were found hidden away in his rooms bank books, securities, gold and silver, amounting collectively to the value of upward of 2,000,000 francs, or $400,000. His heirs were two nephews, who for years had been in a state of pitiable poverty.

An old beggar woman named Marie Dufour, who occupied a wretched garret at a house in the Rue de Severes, Paris, was found dead in her bed. In a bundle belonging to her were found a deposit receipt for 30,000 francs in the name of the deceased and government securities representing an annual income of 500 francs.

A man named Gustave Marcelin, a professional beggar, was found dead in his room in the Rue Puy Guillaume, Avignon, in November, 1892. A search led to the discovery of French government bonds and various securities to the value of $100,000. He left a paper requesting that his savings might be divided equally between the city and the bureau de bienfaisance.

The Lost Cabin.

The western papers are again announcing that the famous "Lost Cabin" gold mine has been rediscovered. That has happened before and the mystery remains a mystery still. Deep in the barren Bad Lands of Wyoming, near the headwaters of the Big Horn, about sixty miles from Fort Washakie, the mine was originally located, and it has probably not traveled far from there in the last few years. Five men found it first in 1874. They left the fort full of hope to prospect for gold. Three weeks later one returned ragged, starved and crazy. He could only repeat six words, but these he said over and over again, until he died, raving mad, a month later. Those words were "Lots of dust in Lost Cabin." He had several large nuggets to bear out his words. Expeditions set out at once, but no trace could be found of either men or mine. Ten years afterward a cowboy, lost in the desert, found a rotted cabin and four skeletons lying in the doorway. A primitive tunnel in the hillside close by yielded nothing but plumbago. Yet the first man had returned with good gold. Half the best prospectors in the west have tried to solve the riddle, but the desert guards its secret well.

Alcohol in Sticks.

A new invention of great importance has just been patented by a German chemist, Julius Norden of Aldenhoven, Germany. He has succeeded in hardening alcohol until it becomes a solid mass. This will insure a very much greater popularity for the employment of alcohol. It now comes in small cylindrical pieces, packed in patent tin boxes, that can be used for cooking, lighting, heating and the various uses of everyday life.

The solidified alcohol burns without a wick, can be blown out after use, and then hardens again within a minute. The danger of explosion is absolutely done away with, and the neat little tin package, with its stick of alcohol, is always ready for use in the kitchen or bed room, on the toilet table or under the milk pot, on the road or in the field, as a night lamp or going upstairs at night.

Japanese Are Ruthless.

The Japanese are ruthless in their tampering with nature. If they decide that they want a bird or an animal of a certain shape or color they set about manufacturing the article, so to speak, by the exercise of exceedingly clever ingenuity and untiring patience. Here, for example, is how the white sparrows are produced. They select a pair of grayish birds and keep them in a white cage in a white room, where they are attended by a person dressed in white. The mental effect on a series of generations of birds results in completely white birds.

Did Its Work at Last.

In 1812 a British warship on Lake Erie fired a shell which failed to explode. It was treasured as a relic in Ashtabula for years, but accidentally it got into a pile of scrap iron delivered to the Phenix iron works foundry and performed its functions so well that the furnace doors were blown to smithereens.

The Cent.

The cent consists of 95 percent of copper and 5 percent tin and zinc. There are 1,000,000,000 pennies in circulation throughout the country, and the Philadelphia mint is turning them out at the rate of 4,000,000 a month to keep up the supply.

Friday Not Unlucky.

Gen. Herbert Kitchener evidently does not believe Friday an unlucky day. Twice he met and defeated the soldiers of the Khalifa on Friday. The battle of Atbara was fought and won in the early hours of Good Friday.

Labor Saving Machinery.

An engineer declares that 50,000 people now do the work, with the aid of machinery, which needed 16,000,000 persons to do a few years ago.

An Old University.

The university of El Ayhar, in Cairo, is the oldest in the world. It has records dating back 1000 years.

A Costly Tomb.

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BEARS SLY AS FOXES.

They Throw Lumps of Ice at Walruses to Stun and Capture Them.

In his native home the polar bear does not often meet with small boys anxious to treat him to buns and other dainties. The consequence is that Bruin has to devise many curious ways of securing his food, and none are more strange and interesting than that related by two trustworthy travelers in Greenland, that country of strange sights.

They have known the polar bear to take a stone or a huge lump of ice in his fore paws and from a favorable height, as a cliff or a precipitous ice hill, to hurl the missile down upon the head of a walrus—an enormous brute, often twice the size of the bear—and so stun him that Bruin could rush in and complete the destruction at his leisure, thus securing a month's rations.

The most useful food of the ice bear, as the Germans very appropriately call this beast, is the common seal of the arctic regions. The latter is the wariest animal of the north, and both Eskimo and polar bear need their best strategy to catch it.

In the summer time, when the snow is off the ice of the ocean shore and islets, the seals can be plainly seen as black dots on the ice, probably asleep, but always near their holes, which lead down through the thick ice to the water below, and into which they can throw themselves by the least movement. Bruin, seeing one afar, walks up as near as he deems safe, and then begins crawling on his wary prey.

The seal, if the weather be sunny and pleasant, takes short naps, relieved by shorter moments when it is scanning the vicinity for signs of the enemy's approach. During these times the bear is very quiet and as still as death itself, with eyes apparently closed, though really a corner of each is kept open, and in this way he hopes the seal will take him for a heap of snow, an appearance which his coat readily helps him to assume.

During the naps he creeps forward with greater or less rapidity, according to his nearness to the seal and consequent fear of being seen or heard. When but ten or twelve yards away, and the seal is in the depths of a good nap, the bear rushes upon him, and with a single blow of his powerful paw knocks the smaller brute senseless and so far away from the hole that he cannot escape by that way, even if the blow received is not immediately fatal.

In winter time the ice is covered with snow, and this is hollowed out by the seal into a snow house, covering the hole in the ice and connecting at the top of the dome with an aperture about the size of a shilling, called the blow hole, for it is through this that the seal breathes when he is in want of fresh air.

Here the bear watches for many a long hour, if necessary, and when the snorts of the seal are heard he crushes in the fragile dome of the snow house with his paw, impaling the seal on his curved claws, and proceeds to practically demonstrate how polar bears can subsist in an arctic winter.

Ingenuity of the Tahitans.

The Tahitans are said to be the people most serviceable to the traveler. They seem, in fact, to command at all times the principal conveniences of life.

Half an hour of daylight is sufficient for building a house of the stems and leaves of the fehi-banana, and fire is produced by rubbing sticks.

If the running water is deeply sunk among stones by working in banana leaves they bring it to the surface.

The chase of eels, which in those dripping mountains become almost amphibious, offers another instance of their ingenuity.

They tear off with their teeth the fibrous bark of "puran" (Hibiscus tiliaceus), and a moment after apply it to noosing small fish.

If one is sent for fruit he will usually makes a basket on the way by plaiting segments of a cocoanut leaf. A mat will be manufactured with almost equal ease. Clothing is always at hand, and a banana leaf serves for an umbrella. Tumblers and bottles are supplied by single joints of the bamboo, and casks and buckets by the long stems, and whether you ask for a hatchet, knife, spoon, toothbrush, or wash basin, the guides will never be found at a loss.

An English Advertisement.

The following advertisement is from a paper published in the north of England: "To Let—A house in Melville street, situated immediately alongside of a fine plum garden, from which an abundant supply of the most delicious fruit may be stolen during the season. Rent low, and the greater part taken in plums."

Where There Are No Inns.

In some of the less accessible parts of Norway visited by tourists there are no inns in the villages. The government has now decided to grant in such cases a certain annual sum to the owner of a spacious house in each village, the proprietor agreeing, in turn, to accommodate four or more guests if called upon.

The Knife in Italy.

A Lega Contro il Coltello (league against the knife) has been formed among the workingmen of Rome, its object being to aid in enforcing the law against the carrying of that weapon. Knives are the instruments used in the perpetration of upward of 4,000 homicides in Italy annually.

To Make a Cashmere Shawl.

The constant labor of four persons for an entire year is required to produce a cashmere shawl of the best quality.

HOW NUGGETS GROW.

A Chemist Shows That Gold Exists in a Soluble Form.

It is generally supposed that the nuggets which are found in the river gravels of Klondike and other auriferous regions have been brought down by the rivers direct from the reefs in which the gold originally lay.

Many practical miners and scientific men, however, have long been of opinion that this cannot be the case, for no masses of gold of so large a size were ever found in the reefs themselves. They believe, on the other hand, that the nuggets have grown where they are now found, just as a crystal of salt will grow in a strong brine; but with so insoluble a substance as gold it was difficult to understand how such growth could take place. Experiments carried out in Australia have shown that decaying vegetable matter will cause the deposition of gold from solutions of gold salts, but these salts are not known to occur in reefs.

The mystery is now solved. A Slavonic chemist named Zzigmedy has just shown that gold itself can exist in a soluble form. By acting on a slightly alkaline solution of a gold salt with formaldehyde and submitting the product to dialysis, he has succeeded in obtaining gold in a colloidal condition, in which state it is soluble in water and may be precipitated by the addition of common salt.

It is probable that some of the gold in quartz reefs exists in this condition. It is washed out by the rain, carried away in solution by the rivers, and deposited in the river gravels wherever there is anything containing salt to cause its precipitation. In the course of ages a large nugget may in this way be formed.

The Flying Fox.

The flying fox is a very curious inhabitant of the forests near Moreton Bay in East Australia. It lives in flocks and moves generally toward the dusk of the evening, and the noise produced by the heavy flapping of the so-called wings is very singular. The flocks like quiet places, where there are large Araucarian pine trees, with an underwood of scrub and creepers. The foxes hang in vast numbers from the horizontal branches of the pine trees.

When there is a clear space among the trees, an enormous number of the animals may be seen, and their noise can be heard, for directly they see anything unusual they utter a short bark, something like the sound made by young rooks. Often every branch is crowded and the flying foxes are seen either flapping their wings and holding on with their hind feet, and with their head downward, or snarling and fighting for places.

Suddenly the whole take to flight and flap their furry, wing-like sides and wheel around like heavy birds. Many fly with their young holding on to them.

The creature is not a true fox nor is there is a fold of skin which reaches from the fore to the hind legs. This is called the wing, and it enables the pteropus, as the animal is called, to float and turn in the air.

Cost of the Red Man.

Since the United States government was formed 19,000 white men, women and children have been slain in Indian wars and affrays and about 30,000 Indians, at an expense to our government of $807,073,658. To this immense sum must be added the civil expenditure of the government on behalf of the Indians, which, between 1776 and 1890, amounted to $259,944,082, making a total of $1,067,017,740 for civil and military expenses in connection with the noble red man.

Beauties of Morro Castle.

El Morro is one of the grandest possessions in all Cuba, not as a fortress, but as a curiosity. The damage done the castle proper by our navy could be repaired for $50,000. Its construction and mysteries are wonderful, and the scene from Morro ridge is unsurpassed in Cuba. Our guard there has explored it pretty thoroughly, but has not yet discovered the entrance to the subterranean torture rooms.

A Spoonament.

In Rappahannock county, Va., they lately had a "spoonament." All the participants were ladies. They rode on horseback at a fast gallop, each holding a dinner spoon with an egg in it. The one who rode three times around the arena without dropping the egg was crowned queen of the spoonament. A world of fun was had by both participants and spectators.

Some Large Libraries.

The largest library in the world is that of Paris. It contains upward of 2,000,000 printed books and 160,000 manuscripts. The British museum contains about 1,500,000 volumes and the imperial library at St. Petersburg about the same number. These are the largest libraries in the world.

A Queer Suit.

A Kentucky druggist has been sued for $10,000 damages for selling poison to a young man who made use of it to commit suicide. The suit is brought by the administrator of the suicide's estate.

A Collar Buttoner.

A Georgian has designed a collar buttoner which is shaped like a glove-buttoner and has the hook portion bent at an angle with the shank, to aid in releasing it from the button.

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STORIES OF ANIMALS.

Illustrating the Sense of the Elephant and the Horse.

From the huge elephant to the tiny ant, the entire animal kingdom offers stories and facts which should enlist the sympathies and engage the interests of the human being who has, in quaint, old-fashioned speech, "dominion over them."

In the whole animal creation there is not to be found a creature more intelligent, more easily managed or more likely to become the friend of man than the elephant. The natives of India, recognizing this, treat him with veneration and respect; but, on the other hand, the ferocious brutishness of the African negroes, incited by the criminal cupidity of Arab and European ivory merchants, transforms into a savage beast an animal best suited by nature to be man's associate.

A Hindoo hunter was once known to have become so fond of an elephant which he had caught and tamed that rather than have his tusks sawed off for the sake of the ivory he allowed himself to live in penury.

A famous general once said: "The most piteous thing after a battle is the sight of wounded horses. The men are cared for, but the poor horses are left to die in agony."

The horse enters into the spirit of a battle like a human being. He shows no fear of death and no sign of panic in all the wild tumult of the battle's din. A horse in one of the batteries in the Murfreesboro' fight had his skull split by a piece of shell so that one side was completely loosened. The driver turned him loose, but he walked up to the side of the gun and watched the firing, following the shots with his gaze as if to note their effect on the enemy. When he saw the team he had worked with being driven back for ammunition he ran to his old place and galloped back with the rest, and when an officer pushed him aside to have another horse put in he gazed at the newcomer with a most sorrowful expression in his eyes. Then, seeming to realize that the glory of battle was no more for him, he walked slowly away, lay down and died. The officer who owned him declared that it was not the wound, but a broken heart, that killed him.

Handiness in Machine Tools.

One of the features of the machine tools of American make which almost invariably elicits favorable comment in other countries is handiness. It is not that the American workman is essentially a creature of comfort which has inspired constant seeking after conveniences, but the striving for economy in methods, if not in processes, and for saving time, that is characteristic of American ways of doing things and has ultimately left its impress on the work of designers of machinery. Precedent counts less with him probably than with most designers of other nationalities; it is the new, the untried, but possibly useful, which appeals to him for experiment, and the outcome of his enterprise has materialized in many little labor-saving details, which have helped to make an enviable reputation for the output of the American tool builder.

British builders, and those of the continent as well, for that matter, are rather apt to disregard conveniences, and handiness in machine tools frequetly receives too little consideration from them. In one instance cited recently an establishment was visited where some large drilling machines, made by a well-known firm, were in use, and in which the various handles and levers were particularly well arranged. Remark concerning them brought out the statement that it was only after insisting on that arrangement and absolutely refusing to accept the machines until they were put right that the desirable points were gained by the purchasers. Little doubt was expressed, however, that the makers did not profit by the hint, but still continue to make the machine for others in the old style, although the improvement demanded could not fail to be evident to all users. Conservatism of this kind does not lead to a useful purpose.

Diamond Saws

The use of the diamond saw for cutting stone is facilitating the erection of buildings. The diamonds which form the cutting teeth of the saw are common crystals, fixed in a steel disc over six feet in diameter, which is mounted on a spindle, and revolved by steam power, like an ordinary circular saw. For sawing hard stones there are 200 diamonds in the cutting edge, and the speed is 300 turns a minute. It advances into the stone about a foot in that time. For soft stones the teeth are of steel, with diamonds at intervals of every five teeth, and at a speed of 12 turns a minute the saw advances about a yard in that time.

An Apology.

Two well known temperance men of Kirkaldy, Scotland, were upset one night, when returning from a temperance meeting. In its account of the mishap the local paper remarked: "Fortunately both gentlemen were sober at the time." This remark made them indignant, and they wrote a letter to the editor, saying so. Whereupon the editor kept up his end by printing this apology in the next issue of the paper: "Messrs.—— and —— demand an apology for our having stated that at the time of their accident they were both sober. We have pleasure in withdrawing our observation."

About Toothpicks

Ninety-five per cent. of all the toothpicks made in the United States are formed from white birch timber in Franklin county, Me., and yet scarcely more than 100 per cent. are employed in the industry in that state.

ORCHID HUNTING.

PERILS AND PRIZES OF THE SEARCH IN TROPICAL ISLANDS.

A Growing Business That Employs Many Millions of Capital—The High Prices Certain Varieties Bring—Some of the Dangers in Collecting the Flower.

East or west the tropic islands are among the happiest hunting grounds for that flower of the air, the orchid. Yearly many men go in search of them at inconceivable risk of life and limb. Some few are scientific enthusiasts, or the agent of scientific institutes. The most part, however, go for revenue only. Not every man can hunt orchids successfully—in this calling, as in most others, ability commands a high market price.

Statistics are uninteresting—still, it is worth while to be told that the business of orchid growing and orchid collecting, though begun as late as 1830, now employs a good many millions of capital. Both here and abroad there are collections whose value runs well up into the hundred thousands, and collectors with nerve enough to pay $5,000 for a single specimen—provided it be sufficiently unique. Further, there was at least one grower long-headed enough to refuse more than $5,000 for an absolutely unique plant. It was seedless and could be multiplied only by the tedious process of rooting leaf cuttings—hence, he saw his profit in such multiplication, and preferred to sell a hundred plants at a thousand each, even though he had to wait some years to do it.

Such men stand back of the orchid hunters proper. Usually three or four Europeans go together to a tropic port, engage from fifty to a hundred natives, buy all manner of supplies, and strike straight into the wildest interior. Often the men carry everything; sometimes there is a bullock train, or even a train of bullock carts. But that is impracticable in the true virgin tropics, wherein the hunters find their choicest treasures.

It is like a fairy tale to talk with one of the returned explorers. You hear of trees 300 feet high, literally covered with orchids, or maybe a half dozen species, each growing in its own distinct zone or altitude. Some flourish only upon the uppermost airy boughs, others riot over the big crotches where the branches come together, still others ring with blossom the mossy boll, running up maybe 100 feet to the lowest limb. Sometimes a tree is the fetish of the wild men round about. In that case woe to the sacrilegious outlanders who lay hand or foot upon it. More than one expedition has been massacred for such cause. The destruction of such a tree scattered and dispersed one of the savagest native tribes.

Their titular tree stood in a sort of glade—it had been seen by several hunting parties, but none of them dared touch it. When they went home their accounts of it so wrought upon the fancy of an English collector that he offered an almost fabulous sum for a section of the flower-wreathed trunk. Next year the orchid hunters found the native tribe at war, and taking advantage of the diversion, cut down the tree and sent a segment down to the coast, where, after many trials and tribulations, it was got safe aboard ship and in the end was the season's wonder of a London conservatory. The native worshipers coming back to find what havoc had been wrought, at once decided that their god had deserted them in anger, hastened to make peace, and ended by going in a mass to live at the other side of their island.

Other than human enemies attack the orchid hunters. One flower, especially beautiful and of the most exquisite fragrance, grows only in the tree tops, and so high that it is found by scent, not sight. Wherever it grows, it is overrun with ant swarms, red ants, not very large, but warlike, and with poisonous stings. The minute a tree trunk trembles beneath axe-strokes these ants swarm down and attack the cutters most viciously, often forcing them to suspend work. A more curious thing is that the flowers will not live and bloom away from the ants. Boughs overrun with their roots have been submerged until the ant-colonies were all drowned, then packed and shipped with the rest. But though given everything that the most finicky orchid could ask in the way of light, heat and moisture, they have merely drooped and pined through one year to die the next of simple inanition.

Then there are serpents, poison insects and vines and herbs as poisonous, to say nothing of panthers, pumas, hurricanes, and tropic thunderbolts. Over against them set the pleasures of absolute lordship, the wonderful sights and sounds of the strangely beautiful tropic world, and beyond all that, the hope, ever-present, ever luring, of stumbling on a new flower worth many times its weight in gold.

These are the prizes in the lottery of orchids—hence the necessity of hunting them in their season of bloom. The roots come snugly packed in wooden boxes. Curiously, they will not bear the least touch of metal. The boxes are commonly dove-tailed, and often beautiful specimens of native joiner work. Each box is carefully labeled, dated, and marked with the temperature and altitude at which the plants it holds were found. Then, with more boxes of its own sort, it is slung one side of a sleek bullock, and balanced with still other boxes while the beast ambles and stumbles his way to the sea.

The Footman's Wig.

The queen's footmen wear wigs which have eight rows of curls, whereas those of the prince of Wales are allowed seven rows, and those of the lord mayor of London are given six rows.

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BAD ADVICE.

As a specimen of the acumen being displayed by some of our ministers of the gospel touching the race problem, we present the following from Rev. James L. White who delivered an address last Monday evening at Lincoln Memorial Church:

"Let the colored man cease this political and social fight and get on the right side of politics and he wil receive all the blessings of this government and lynchings will no longer be heard of."

Here is a bit of solution which is capable of precipitating a nostrum which will correct all of the race troubles which now beset us! The right of the enjoyment of life, liberty and property, civil and political rights, the pursuit of happiness all of these "blessings of this government" can be received by ceasing political fights and getting on the right side of politics. Just how we can get on the right side of politics by ceasing to vote is a matter which only the divine lecturer can elucidate. And how all of this will guarantee immunity from lynching is quite as obscure. Indeed our lecturer tells us that we can arrive at the point of equality, where we will enjoy all of the blessings of this government only by proving ourselves incapable as well as undeserving of equality and the enjoyment of the aforesaid blessings. It seems to us that Rev. White is trying hard to prove that all of the charges preferred against us are true and that our enemies are right in insisting that they are justified in murdering and lynching us because we take sides in a political way and insist upon our natural social and civil rights. Such advocates (?) of the race are in broad contrast with those who take other views of the matter. Particularly is the above position opposed to the more enlightened, manly and christian attitude assumed by Hon. John P. Green a few days ago. In an address, the latter gentleman showed his fidelity to his race by producing arguments to prove the infeernce that the criminal assaults charged to southern negroes are not committed. He showed 1st, that there was no legal proof of the assaults, on the ground that innocence runs with the defendent until it is overcome by evidence beyond reasonable doubt; 2nd, that alleged confessions have no validity because obtained by torture and threats; 3rd, that during the civil war, while the natural protectors of the women of the South were at the front, negroes protected them; 4th, that in the British West Indies, Cuba and Brazil, where more than 2,000,000 have been emancipated since 1833, no rapes have been reported; 5th, that many false charges of rape are preferred against men by women. In this connection Mr. Green cited three distinct cases where the innocence of the men had been established after conviction and imprisonment, it having been shown that the testimony had been unduly extorted from the females and relatives. In view of these arguments, coming from so distinguished and authoritative a source, it seems queer indeed that the reverend Mr. White could find no words to condemn the extra judicial and illegal as well as criminal conduct on the part of the whites. He prefers to advise political prostitution and the slavish surrender of our manhood rights as the only means of living among the American people. We do not believe that we should take the advice of such men, even though they present themselves in the livery of heaven and the sooner they are made to know it, the better it will be for the people. The negro has been no coward and it is far too late to cultivate that spineless weakness. As was said by Mr. Green on the subject of the valor of the colored soldier, our troops fought under their own leaders around Troy, in the Trojan war; against Godfrey de Buillon in the crusades; defeated 32000 veterans of the Rhine under Toussiant, defeated the English troops under Cetewayo in the Matabele wars and in our Civil war and before Santiago fought bravely while white soldiers quailed before the incessant hail of grape, cannister and shell. With such a record of men who have gone before us, it were worse than madness to lose heart and leave our guns at this time. Bro. White may be sincere enough, but he does not grasp the situation neither has he the wisdom to advise.

THE HOWARD ASSOCIATION.

In another column will be fonnd a part of the report of Howard Association of London, which deals with the convict labor system at the South as well as of lynchings in the same section. The Howard Association is composed of the brightest minds of Great Britain representing the House of Lords, House of Commons and those standing high in the royal family. It was founded under Lord Brougham and dovotes much time and money in sociological investigations with the view to mitigating the suffering of mankind and instituting reformatory measure among civilized nations by appealing to the popular heart and conscience. These investigations are not confined to any particalar country, but comprehend all nations and peoples. The reprint in another column is but an excerpt from the general report of the wrok done on humatarian lines. The complete report can be had by applying at this office. We feel it our duty to print a part of the report to show to our readers to what extent slavery and brutality exist in some of the southern states and to open their eyes to the importance of providing some adeqate remedy for this fearful evils It is nothing to the credit of Americans to have it said that the people of England are the first to cry out against the wrong and injustice which the colored people are made to suffer in America. The christianity of which we so much boast receives a most forcible rebuke when it can be said that our pulpits are silent upon the gross outrages which are being perpetrated upon a striving and unoffending class of Americans. We hope that the friends of christianity and of civilization will help wipe out the iniquitous system of peonage which is cursing the southland and bringing disgrace upon America and Amerscanism. We have an abiding faith in the wisdom, and goodness and justice of God and ultimate arousal of the public conscience and look prayerfully and expectantly for better times.

The labor war conducted by labor agitators at Wardner, Idaho, has been ended in the recognition ofgraded labor. The claim of agitators that unskilled labor should receive the same pay as skilled labor was vigorously denied and successfully antagonized. This is a victory for skilled labor and emphasizes the importance of intelligent artisanship. This is a hint and encouragement to our people to engage in the trades assured that merit will win.

TOO MUCH PRAYER.

News comes from a call from New York by the pugitive president of the alleged Afro-American Council, Bishop J. W. Walters, setting June 2, for a day of prayere Just what effect prayer will have upon these cut-throats, lynchers and murderers in the South the BEE is unable to state. What these murderers want is an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. We pray in church, at home and before we go to bed. Men fight when they are struck or when the enemy invade his home. The negro has been praying too much.

If we are to judge from the wide discussion of education methods now being indulged by magazine writers and editors, the common school system must talk more decided steps in the direction of the utilitarian side of education or else suffer from the consequences of a popular disapproval. The present age demands a knowledge of how to do as well as how to think

One of the most commendable things ever done by the board of trustees was to authorize vacation summer schools for children who cannot attend school at other times as well as those who would like to keep up their studies during vacation. The board has authorized the use of as many schools as may be necessary and will contribute material and such, but no special provision is made for a teaching corps. A number of white teachers have volunteered to conduct white schools and it is hoped that we may find a number of colored teachers sufficiently charitable and race-loving to enable our colored children to obtain similar school advantages. No possible harm can come to our teachers who show a willingness to help in this important undertaking as they will surely have the unqualified support and gratitude of the public.

Hon. J. P. Green was recently called in consultation with the President upon important race matters and it has leaked out that Mr. McKinley was so impressed with the presentation of the negro's case in equity that he gave the gratifying assurance that the matter will soon be vigiously handled to the satisfaction of the most pessimistic. We hope that this is a fact and will await developments with roseate expectation. "All things come round to him who will but wait," but let us hasten.

The remarkable change of base on the part of Gov Roosevelt on the subject of the bravery of the 10th cavalry, is a striking example of the difference between Teddy drunk and Teddy sober.

The democratic press seems to be in hysterics over what they are pleased to call the "olive branch policy" of President McKinley. If they would devote just half of the space toward persuading their brother democrats at the South that their conduct is a blot on American civilization and foul stain on the traditions of the democratic party, people would take some stock in their sincerity. But at present it looks like magnifying the mote and everlooking the beam.

It looks like another case of "tail wag the dog," when we see the South coquetting with Mr. Bryan and displaying a disposition to take him even at the expense of 16 to 1 idol. But the South must control the President if democratic.

As a little oil guarantees the effectiveness of the smooth-bore, so will official recognition help to preserve healthy republicanism and constancy on the part of the much neglected colored voter. Tammany has tried the experiment and proven a blooming success.

"Whistling Rufus" and Sousa's new march, "Hands Across the Sea," played by Hoffman's Band at the Academy of Music, Friday evening June 9th will be worth the price of admission alone.

AFRO AMERICAN COUNCIL.

ENTHUSIASTIC SPEECHES-THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CONDEMNED BY J. R. HARRIS AND SENT TO HADES, WHILE MESSRS. PETERSON AND LYONS DEFENDED IT.-GEO. H. WHITE'S SPEECH A DISAPPOINTMENT AND CHARACTERIZED AS ROT. HE CRITICIZED THE BEE AND ITS EDITOR, WHICH WAS COOLY RECEIVED. THE ADMINISTRATION AND PRESIDENT MCKINLEY DENOUNCED.

The Afro-American Council No. 1, of the District of Columbia held a public meeting at the lyceum of the Second Baptist church at 4 o'clock p. m. on last Sunday. Seated on the platform were: Ex-Gov. Pinchback, Register Lyons, Recorder Cheatham, Ex-Senator Green, Collector of Port Dancy and there were present in the audience which was unusally large many distinguished ladies and gentlemen. Mr. Jessie Lawson introduced Ex-Gov. Pinchback who presided over the meeting, he then presented the speaker of the afternoon Hon. Geo. White of N. C. Mr. White's address was a disappointment as was expected that he would confine himself to the organization and the work of the Afro-American Council, he reviewed the recent lynching of negroes in the South deploring the same, and believed that a healthy public sentiment was being created against such, he gave a tabulated statement of the number of lynchings and the crimes committed by the victims showing that only a very few were even charged with rape. He praised the negro soldiers, despite the opinion of Gov. Roosevelt of the Afro-American Council, he said it would live despite the fact that it was conceived out of wedlock at its birth we find it deformed and paralytic." All the Bees in the country could not sting it to death, and that it could not be Chased out of existence. The speaker found that he was beating a dead march, as evidenced by the cool reception with which his remarks were received. His speech contained nothing new, original or instructive and was a general disappointment to all and especially his references to the BEE and its editor. This reference was disgusting to the distingushed gentlemen present.

A singular feature of the exercise was a statement on the part of Mr. Pinchback at the conclusion of Mr. White's speech "that it was not open to criticism," and that any one who desired to speak was at liberty to add to what had been said, but not criticise the paper; this was evidently done to save Mr White from embarrassment.

Mr. Lucius H Peterson; who said that the Afro-American Council must be a very warm thing, as the speaker had said it was like Hades, whose gate always stood ajar, he further said it was the duty of the people to investigate and understand the objecb and work of the Council in order to follow it, that he believed with leadership of such men who sat upon the platform much good could be attained That the question of negroes salvation rested with God himself, and the republican party. He made a glowing defense of McKinley as governor of Ohio, and as President, and advised the negro to stand by the republican party.

Mr. J. R. Harris said the interest of the race was above party, and that the republican party could go to Hades, he indorsed the Afro-American Council. The speech of Mr. Harris brought Register Lyons to his feet and he in eloquent and forcible language declared that every thing the nego was in this country had been through the help of God Almighty and the republican party, that it was wicked, yea almost treasonable for a negro to stand in a public assemble and say the republican party should go to h—l, he advised the negro to stand with the party and pictured that it would be a say day for him when he forsook the good old republican party which had always been his friend.

Lawyer Hewlett suggested that we join the Afro-American Council and help support it, and follow such men as are its leaders.

Mr. E. M. Hewlett was loud in his praise of the organization, and thought that every man with a spark of manhood within his breast should join the Afro-American Council. Mr. Hewlett is another one who has expressed himself as against this organization, but in order to be what is termed in "good society," he too turned somersault, taking sides with a movement that has all head and no tail. Mr. Hewlett's speech was a surprise and a disappointment.

Ex-Senator Green, defended the council, stated its object and said it would be heard when an individual could not, that we could have no such things as leaders that the conditions were against it, he also advised adherance to the republican party.

Mr Harris was the next speaker, he created much merriment by declaring that the negro's interest was paramount, to every other consideration, and that so far as the republican party was concerned it could go to Hades. This again brought Hon. Lyons to his feet, who declared that the republican party was the negro ship, all else was the sea and intimated that the speaker had little respect for the truth. This aroused Dr. J. N. Johnson, who reminded Mr. Lyons and his hearers in forcible language that neither party could be depended upon to save the negro in the present crisis, and that the negro must work out his own destiny and pointing to Mr. Lyons and other office-holders upon the platform he said, "Perfect your organization in every state of this Union, make yourselves a power and when the election comes in 1900 tell Mr. McKinley that if he wants the negro's vote, he must change his attitude, else the democratic party or any other party will get it.

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ZEAL THAT FAILED.

A Telegraph Operator's Effort to Please an Official by Attention to Duty.

"The first office that I found myself in possession of," said the retired telegraph operator, "was a little way station where there was not much else to do but to report the trains. I had the night trick, and the trains being few and far between I spent most of my time dreaming of advancement. One night soon after I had taken the office I was called to the key to receive a message that came over the wire addressed to a railroad official who chanced to be visiting some relative who lived about three miles from the office where I was.

"'Violet is dying,' the message read, and those three words sent the shivers up and down my back, as I saw with my imagination a fair-haired, blue-eyed little girl dying, with her father away from home. Then it suddenly flashed upon me that here was a chance to win promotion by hurrying the message out where the father was. I was alone in the office, and there was no one living near by whom I could send it.

"At last I determined to take it myself. I knew I had no business leaving the office, but I considered it a chance to win recognition that I might never have again. It was before the time of the bicycle, and as there was no horse to be had I started out afoot. There was a train leaving about 1 o'clock in the morning, and I had figured it out that the anxious father would take that train for the city, and that I would be able to get a ride back to the station with him, and have at the same time a chance to create a good impression.

"It was in the fall of the year and raining as hard as it could pour, with good prospects that it would turn to snow before I got back. I was a little bit hazy just where the party was staying, but after braving any number of dogs and arousing any number of farmers, I found the right place and delivered the message. The man, with a white face, hastily tore the envelope open and read the contents, while I waited for him to say: 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant!'

"But he didn't. He said things that I would not care to repeat, and called me any number of names that were not the least bit complimentary. It made me mad to see such an exhibition of unconcern over such a serious matter, and I was about to say so when he broke in with another torrent of strong words, of which I caught 'fool woman,' 'pug dog,' 'glad of it.'

"Then I comprehended, and as I tramped wearily back to the office I had deserted I had plenty of time to take a solemn vow to never again bother my head about what might come over the wire."

When Ice Cream Was New.

When ice cream was first introduced many funny stories were told about it. It was first offered in the national capital, according to an authority on the subject, by Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, who had had it in her home in New York. She used to tell with amusement of the delight with which President Jackson first tasted it, and how he promptly decided to have ices at the Executive mansion.

"Accordingly," says the historian, "guests at the next reception were treated to the frozen mystery, and afforded considerable fun to the initiated by the reluctance with which they tasted it. Those from the rural districts especially first eyed it suspiciously, then melted each spoonful with breath before consuming it. Their distrust was soon removed, however, and plates were emptied with great rapidity.

"The man who made the ice cream was, oddly enough, a negro by the name of Jackson, who in the early part of the present century kept a small confectionery store in Washington. Cold custards, which were cooled by setting them on a cake of ice, were very fashionable, and Jackson, at Mrs. Hamilton's suggestion, froze them by placing the ingredients in a tin bucket and completely covering them with ice. Each bucket contained a quart and was sold for $1."

Most Exclusive Club on Earth.

The Diamond Club of London is the most exclusive, richest and, in some respects, the oldest club in the world. Its members are such of the great diamond dealers of London as can qualify. Each candidate for admission is examined by a committee, which inquires minutely into his past.

The club is primarily an eating place and a place of business. The members meet daily at the luncheon hour in the dingy little cafe in Hatton Garden, occupying a private room. Although these dealers in diamonds do not care for dress they do care a great deal for good dinners. Their 1 o'clock repast is famous for its excellence. It is said to be the finest in the world.

The doors of the club-house are opened at 10 a. m. and the place is deserted before 7 p. m., about the time when the West End clubmen are beginning their day. One of the features of this curious club is the displaying of diamonds by its members. Often bags full of rare gems of exceeding size and lustre are emptied onto the dining-room tables for inspection, and numbers of them are passed around the room and handled by as many men as wish to look them over. The owner has no fear, for he confides implicitly in any man whose character is good enough to allow him to become a member.

The Chinese Invitation.

When a Chinaman gives a grand party he sends three invitations to each guest—one two days before the event, another on the day itself, and the third just before the hour has struck, to signify how impatient he is for his visitor's arrival.

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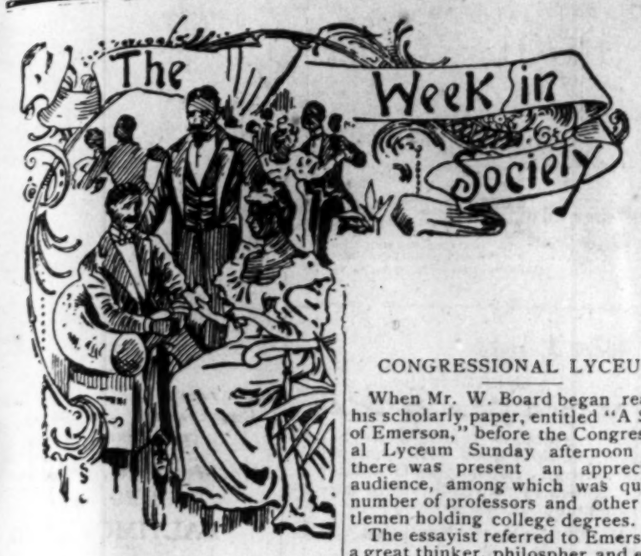

The Stereopticon Concert of the Lovejoy school on June 2nd will be a fine affair.

Mrs. M. G. Lucas returned to the city after spending several weeks at her parents' home in Maryland. She was accompanied by her sister Miss Mamie Thomas.

Dr. Wm. H. Hughes, formerly of 1521 Madison street, has removed his office and residence to 1207 T street northwest, where he will be pleased to see his patients and friends.

Miss Irene O. McEwen of Mobile, Ala., is the guest of Miss Marie James. She is a lady of ability and refinement and led the class of nurses this year at the Freedmen's Hospital.

Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, pastor of Shiloh Baptist church, will be tendered a reception by the young people of his church next Tuesday evening May 26th at 8 o'clock. Rev. Taylor has won the respect and confidence of all the members of his church by his untiring efforts in their behalf This reception will be attended not only by the members of his church, but by many hundred distinguished citizens who appreciate his great work in the cause of his race and humanity.

Ex-Congressman C. G. Conn of Elkhardt, Ind., and formerly proprietor of the *Wasington Times*, presented the Hoffman Concert Band a fine silver-mount bass drum last week. While in Congress Mr. Conn took great interest in the band under the direction of Mr. Elzie S. Hoffman.

THE AMPHIONS ELECT OFFICERS.

The annnal meeting of the Amphion Glee Club was held Wednesday evening May 3rd at the residence of Mr. J. Henry Lewis, 1619 Corcoran street, and the following persons were elected for the ensuing year: J. H. Washington, president; Jacob B. Walker, vice-president; Wm. DeLong, secretary; Charles A. Champ, treasurer; David Toliver, librarian; and J. Henry Lewis who organized the association more than eight years ago, was reelected musical director and manager. These officers will be installed the first Wednesday in June and the club made arrangements for an excursion during the last week in June.

The Amphions will give their last concert of the season this evening the Colonial Hotel (Wormlery's,) corner 15th and H streets for the entertainment of the guests of the adjacent hotels. These affairs are always crowded.

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CONGRESSIONAL LYCEUM.

When Mr. W. Board began reading his scholarly paper, entitled "A Study of Emerson," before the Congressional Lyceum Sunday afternoon last. there was present an appreciative audience, among which was quite a number of professors and other gentlemen holding college degrees.

The essayist referred to Emerson as a great thinker, philospher and essayist, that his essay on Universal Compensation, was one of the best to be found in the English language, and if properly studied now, it would prove of great benefit to the people of this country as it would clearly show that swift and certain punishment according to universal law follow injustice whether done by an individual or the nation, neither could escape. Mr. Board is a graduate of Wilberfore University, Ohio and has won two or three medals as an orator, the last being the the beatiful gold medal presented him by the Congressional lyceum January last. His paper was a literary treat.

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FEATURES OF CEBU.

This Is the Place Where Magellan Landed to Take Possession for Spain.

Cebu, on the eastern side of the long narrow island of the same name, in the heart of the Visayas and of the whole archipelago, is a much more attractive place than Iloilo, though it has been commercially eclipsed by the latter on account of advantages as a shipping place for sugar. Cebu is the place where Magellan landed in 1521 to take possession of everything within reach for Spain, and opposite is the little island of Mactan, where the navigator was killed, having imprudently interferred in a native quarrel. Here too, Legaspi, landed in 1565, and first made the Spanish possession effective Until he discovered the advantages of Manila, a few years later, the colonial government was established here, and Cebu continued to be the capital of Visayas to the end of the Spanish dominion. It also continued to be a seaport of some importance, though the bulk of the sugar shipment had been drawn to Iloilo by its more convenient location for the collection of the product, and it is still, next to Manila, the chief point for the export of hemp. Moreover, its situation is attractive, and it is a well-built town.

The island of Mactan, in front, has a picturesque aspect, while behind the city is a ridge of verdant hills. It is the seat of a bishopric, and has a cathedral and several other churches, including that of the Santo Nino, or Sacred Child, whose image is an object of reverence, not to say adoration, to the whole island. The triangular fort is of stone, painted red, and the government buildings are solid looking, while there are stone residences that indicate comfort and taste as well as comparative wealth. The whole island of Cebu, which is a hundred miles long and somewhat mountainous, is not only fertile and verdant, but it is healthy and is occupied by a people of peaceable disposition and civilized tendencies. It is doubtful if they know Aguinaldo, or would be much enticed by his emissaries. Several foreign consuls and commercial agents have long lived at Cebu, and when we get ready to take possession it ought to be a favorable centre from which to diffuse a better understanding of our purposes and of the character of American sovereignty.

Glimpses at Manila.

Manila at night is very dull. After 10 o'clock the city is dead, and only the sentries are seen in the streets There is no theater there. The soldiers are not allowed out of quarters after 10 o'clock unless on duty; the saloons are closed and the night life of Manila is behind closed doors. It is almost impossible to imagine a great city of 300,000 being as quiet as Manila is at night. The Spaniards retire to their homes and the Americans to their barracks.

The few foreign residents who spend their evenings at the clubs return home long before the small hours. Most people there go to bed early, because nearly all the city's business is done in the forenoon, and people get up pretty early to do it. At noon all the stores are closed for two hours, and in the afternoon those who can do so seek refuge from the sun beneath the spreading balconies of their homes and do not appear in the escolta unless it is necessary. And if it is necessary, they put it off until to-morrow.

The Philippine girls are interesting, but only a few are pretty. They are extremely graceful, as straight as arrows and always picturesque A girl becomes a young lady at 12 or 13, a mother about three years later and a grandmother at 35, but even at the advanced age of 50 she is still supple and graceful and picturesque.

The skin is yellow or brown, the hair straight and shiny black the eyes soft and lustrous and the teeth white except where the habit of chewing the betelnut has left them red and repulsive. The women are modest to the last degree, do not know what flirting is and are hospitable and womanly. The practice of smoking is general, and even little girls scarcely 8 years old may frequently be seen smoking enormous cigars. The children go naked until they are 6 or 7 years old, and then they graduate into a short skirt, and a little while later into about the same style of clothes as are worn by the grown people. The mothers carry their children astride on their hips.

The Proof of It.

The war correspondent who had returned from the scene of action in Cuba, or who said he had, was giving the crowd of listeners a lurid account of a fight he had witnessed on the skirmish line in the vicinity of Sevilla. Everybody in the crowd was taking the story right down without the least sign of a doubt as to its absolute accuracy, until a long, slim party, with a smooth face and a ruffled shirt front, became an interrogator after the facts:

"Did I understand you to say that it was Kentucky battalion that had gone right up the hill over the brush and rocks in the very muzzles of the enemy's guns?"

"That's what," asserted the narrator.

"And they threw away their knapsacks on the first jump?"

"You bet they did. They didn't want any handicap in a race like that."

"Then they threw away their coats?"

"Indeed they did."

"And their hats?"

"They went into it bareheaded, like the daredevils they were."

"And dropped their cartridge belts?"

"Every one of them, and went for the foe with their cold bayonets."

"And their canteens?"

Everything. By George, they went into the scrap stripped like prizefighters."

The smooth-faced man coughed and shuffled his chair.

"That's all right," he said firmly. "They were not Kentuckians. That's their style of fighting, but you can bet a farm that Kentuckians never would have thrown their canteens away."

It has been decided by the United States judge in Oklahoma that when a man makes a round disk, not pretending to be money, and beats a slot machine with it, there has been no violation of the law. The disks are not counterfeit, and it is not swindling to rob an illegal game.

CUBA'S SOUTHERN COAST.

Details of a Trip By Sea From Port Royal to Havana.

HARBOR OF SANTIAGO.

Features of the Beautiful Tropical Sunset and the Remarkably Short Twilight.

Isla de Pinos Which Is Famous for Its Pine Forests, Salubrious Climate and Thermal Springs—Progreso Is Far From Carrying Out the Idea Its Name Implies—Where Cleanliness Is Tabooed.

One who has not witnessed a sunset in tropical waters may be said to have lived almost in vain. There is no use trying to describe it—the crimson and gold, green, amethyst, purple and sapphire, reflected in varying tints on sea and shore, on sails and hills, in wonderful but brief pyrotechnics. I have seen hard-headed business men, as void of sentiment as the cattle and crops, the ores and machines they have come down here to invest their money in, "gush" like school girls under the glamor of the Western skies and drop into poetry with Wegg-like facility anent the dying day and Twilight letting her curtain down and pinning it with a star.

Our steamer left Port Royal at sunset, and hardly had we time to note the mossy roofs and towers of that shabby town all gilded in the evening light, before the picture faded and old Ocean became indeed a "gray and melancholy waste." It is worth coming far to watch the stars blaze out in the tropical night. There seems to be three times as many as are seen in the skies at home—all larger and brighter, not twinkling as in colder climates, but shedding a soft and steady illumination. And then the mysterious, far-reaching milky way; and the literally "golden" moon, swinging nearer to earth here than elsewhere!

The main course from Jamaica to Havana lies in a northwesterly direction across the Caribbean Sea, with several ports of call en route. First, almost due north to Santiago, at which point I did not land this time, retaining too vivid recollections of the fever recently encountered there. Through the yellow haze of a tropic morning

WHOLESALE DISTRICT, SANTIAGO.

we saw again the apparently unbroken wall of the Sierra Maestro; and at length the historic gap was disclosed—just wide enough to admit an ocean liner. The wonder is that Cervera's seven-thousand-ton cruisers ever managed to wiggle through the twisting neck of that bottle! The shallow water at the entrance of the sinuous channel does not conceal a sandbar, but a living, growing barricade of coral rock, requiring the most careful piloting to pass in safety. Doubtless the day is at hand when Yankee engineering will render the broad, deep bay beyond as accessible as it is now one of the finest harbors in the hemisphere.

Isla de Pinos, the only island of consequence among the hundreds that encompass the Queen of the Antilles, is nearly square in form, perhaps 60 miles long by 50 broad, and of exceedingly picturesque appearance. The island is famous for its pine forest and beautiful marbles, its salubrious climate and wonderful thermal springs. It is already a favorite sanitarium, and Cubans believe that a short residence here is an unfailing panacea for consumption.

To the north and east of Isla del Pinos the sea is dotted with the archipelagoes of Los Canarios and Baneo de los Jardines; innumerable tiny islands, such as "emerald gem in the ring of the wave." Traveling among them is unalloyed delight. The boat winds in and out the labyrinthine channels, over waters blue and luminous as the tropical skies, and so beautifully translucent that starfish lying on the silvery bottom, or sea flowers growing leagues below, look as though seen through glass. The air is indescribably balmy, the same in summer as in winter, and the eyes are continually feasted upon the beauty of verdure-clad shores and distant mountains, veiled in clouds

Progreso, the Mexican port, is far from carrying out the idea its name implies, having made no progress worth mentioning in about 400 years of Spanish occupancy. Groups of dark-faced men lounge idly in the doorways, and women in garments of spotless white are squatted along the curbstones with bowls of cooked meat for sale, or tamales made red-hot with ahi and odorous of grease and garlic.

In this part of the world it is considered a pernicious and unhealthful habit to wash one's face in the morning; but for "outside barbarians," who sometimes take such fearful risks, a big tin basin is provided, at which each takes his turn, using the same water that has served his predecessors, or replenishing the supply himself from the well in the patio.

From Progreso to Havana the journey is comparatively uninteresting, made mostly in the dark of night and far from shore. At daybreak Havana is sighted, and by sunrise the steamer is anchored between the Morros and Cabanas fortifications, whose "frowning walls" no longer frown upon our countrymen.

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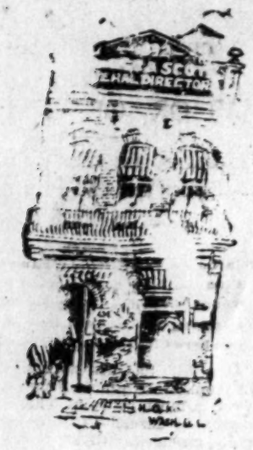

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Delia:—You should keep your family affairs to yourself, as home troubles do not interest any one but gossipers.

Inquirer:—All candidates for the industrial departments in the public schools must hereafter enter a competitive examination.

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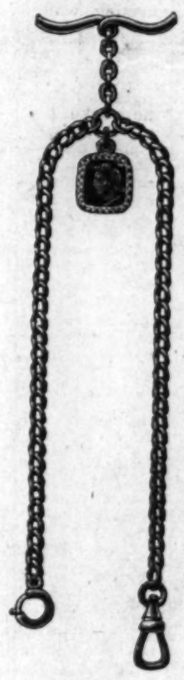

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THE COLORED RACE IN AMERICA.

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During the past year, the Howard Association has, on various occasions, received from those Southern States very grievous accounts of cruelties inflicted both upon prisoners and others of the colored race, and in particular, in the convict camps and chain gangs, where a shocking condition of affairs exists.

THE CONVICT CAMPS AND CHAINGANGS

There are comparatively very few prison buildings in the South. Offenders are chiefly leased out, for open air work, to contractors or bidders, who pay their labor, so much a head, to the state or county, and then become absolute masters of such prisoners; so that the taxpayer is entirely relieved from the burden of criminals, who actually become a source of large revenue to the state and to individuals. This may, at first sight, seem to be a great advance upon the general systems of the North and of Europe, which are so costly to the community. But in reality the lease system produces the most terrible sufferings and fatalities to many thousands annually.

A REVIVAL OF SLAVERY.

It is practically, a revival of slavery, and on a very extensive scale. In Florida, public sales of convicts (most of whom are negroes) occasionally take place, when they are sold by auction to the highest bidder, for various periods, up to four years. Usually the sentences in the South (on colored people,) even for minor offences, such as stealing eggs, are for very long periods.

There are several classes of leased convicts. Firstly, those under the immediate supervision of the state, in camps, or farms, corresponding somewhat to British convict establishments These, though open to grave objection are comparatively free from the grossest evils, and have, of late years, undergone considerable improvement in several of the states. Secondly, there are the county camps, which are worse. And, lastly, and worst of all, there are the numerous gangs farmed out to private sub contractors, or bidders, who, in many cases, "sweat" their victims to death by excessive labor, wretched food, brutal violence and the grossest neglect of sanitary requirements And of course, religious and moral obligations are utterly ignored in most instances.

In the best prisons of the Northern States, as in New York (at Elmira,) Massachusetts, (at Concord Junction and Sherborne,) Illinois, (at Joliet and Pontiac,) Ohio, (at Columbus,) Minnesota, (at Stillwater,) and in Pennsylvania, Michigan, Rhode Island and other states, the reformation of the prisoner is, at least, earnestly attempted, and often successfully achieved. But in southern camps and chain gangs it is the very reverse.

"INFERNOS"

The "captains" employed by the sub-contractors are often of the class depicted in "Legree" in "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Their conduct to the female convict is indescribable. A large number of illegitimate births take place in these camps. The wretched children born in them are, in some instances, permanently retained as slaves. And the breeding of such has become an avowed purpose, at lease in one state. Woe to the women or girls who are sent to such camps! Their life is, and must be an inferno. Men and women frequently run away and are then chased with bloodhounds and guns; those killed being sometimes registered as "escaped."

The colored population furnishes about nine-tenth of the southern convicts, and it is reliably stated that a considerable portion of them are either quite innocent or are punished by long sentences for the most trifling offences, and frequently, on merely trumped-up charges. It is to the interest of the local officials and contractors that the number of convicts should be as large as possible and their detention as prolonged as it can be made.

CHILDREN IN THE CHAIN GANGS

A very sad feature in these chain gangs is the number of young children sent to them. A leading philanthropist of Baltimore, Mr. G. S. Griffith, president of the Maryland Society for the Protection of Children, was pained to find in the gangs so many children from nine years of age and upwards! In one of the better class of chain gangs, in North Carolina, he found 55 persons, including three women and 1 boy of 11 years of age. And he says: "These men women and boys, all sleep under a tent 70 by 24 feet." This promiscuous and most demoralizing association of the various ages and sexes, by day and night, is the usual feature of the private camps, and sometimes, even of the state establishments.

Judge Chandler of Georgia, says: "My experience is that when a boy is sent to the chain gang, he is ruined." Judge Berry of Atlanta, says:—"I have seen too many cases where boys have been ruined by being sent to the chain gangs." Then what must they be for girls?

BRUTAL "CAPTAINS."

Fearful brutalities are perpetrated by these "captains" in the lonely, remote places where many of the gangs are located, as in forests and mines. Sometimes convicts have been flayed alive! On one prisoner's corpse forty injury were found. He had been literally beaten to pieces. Another had been disgustingly dismembered by kicks, and there was a great hole gaping in his side. A young white girl of seventeen years, after being repeatedly outraged by the officers of the camp, fled to the woods. She was overtaken by bloodhounds, her clothes stripped off, and she was then flogged in the presence of jeering men. Another poor girl, similar treated, gave birth to a child, but both mother and offspring were speedily relieved by death. Women and girls are habitually subjected to the grossest indecencies and exposures In one camp was found a woman who had had seven children whilst there, and another had had six there And such cases are legion!

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A LITTLE RECENT IMPROVEMENT IN SOME STATES.

The State of Mississippi, Arkansas, and the Carolinas, all need great reforms in this matter; but especially Florida and Georgia. Their forest terpentine works and their phosphate mines are often awful spots, morally and physically. Lousiana is making some special efforts at improvement. Alabama and Texas are perhaps better than formerly. Yet a prison chaplain in Texas writes to Howard Association (1898.) "Practically there has been no advance in the lease system of our convicts. It can only be an evil."

GENERAL OPPRESSION OF THE COLORED RACE.

The Howard Association has also received, in connection with these sad accounts of southern camps and chain gangs, much information showing that they form but one portion or still a vaster system of oppression of the colored race generally in the Southern States. *The Voice of Missions*, Atlanta, December, 1898 contains a long and terrible indictment of the white race for the treatment of the colored people since 1865.

It says: "The Cuban War and its results and the American massacres are nothing when compared with the the thirty years of 'whitecapping, chasing by bloodhounds, murdering, burning at the stake, lynching, flaying swindling, robbing, defamation of character, injustice, false imprisonment and oppression, which the colored people of America have passed through, and are still undergoing." "This year 300 have been lynched and murdered by our white Christian friends and no voice but our own weak cry has been raised in protest." Many negroes were shot by the white democrats in North and South Carolina during the November elections of 1898 Recently also, many unoffending colored people have been driven away from their homes and farms in the South by violent and covetous white neighbors.

The same journal complains of the silence of the pulpit, both North and South, respecting these evils, and remarked that even the United States Supreme Court at Washington has always turned scale against the colored race. Also that several of the Southern States have disfranchised the negroes by wholesale, in violation of the Federal Constitution, whilst returning them all as voters for the purpose of their own proportionate representation in Congress. It is known that some prominent politician and legislators at Washington have made large fortunes as convict contractors.

THE LYNCHINGS.

In the Richmond *Planet*, July 23rd 1898, a bishop is quoted as saying: "Enough colored men have been lynched to death to reach a mile high, if laid one upon another-and nearly as many women and children to make a similar pile."

These lynchings are defended by many persons on the ground of their necessity of protecting white women from negro assaults. No doubt, occasionally such crimes of this kind have been committed by them, but they have been immensely out numbered by similar outrages by whites upon the females of the weaker race.

The colored people have need to clear themselves from complicity with such crimes, and also to cultivate more honesty and truthfulness. Nor can they expect to be much respected until they manifest more self-respect and become less characterized, as a people, by their everlasting grin and giggle. Lord Chesterfield said:—"I never knew a 'Merry-Andrew' a respected man." But the colored people are too often such fools, and until as a race, they manage to make themselves both respected and feared, they are not likely to get the justice which is due to them. Buffoons will be despised.

CONVICT MORTALITY.

Even the aggregate of lynchings is very small in comparison with the enormous mortality of the the convicts in the camps and chain gangs. Whereas in English convict prisons the death rate is under 7 per 1000 per annum, it ranges in these camps from 75 to over 200 per 1000 yearly.

WHO WILL HELP.

The *Voice of Missions* mournfully remarks:—"There are no advocates of human rights in the United States today. Charles Sumner is dead, Abraham Lincoln is gone, Wendel Phillips, Wm. Lloyd Garrison, Frederick Douglas and Harriett Beecher Stowe have all passed away; and with them went the last great advocates of human rights." This complaint is, however, too pessimistic.

Yet even the Society of Friends (Quakers) in America, once the foremost champions of the negro, through their J. G. Whittier, Thomas Garrett, Isaac B. Hopper, Levi Coffin, Francis T. King and other good men, have of late years, become strangely silent and apparently apathetic, as to the oppressed race.

SELF HELP.

However, a people of twelve million ought no longer to be mainly dependent upon or looking to others for their own protection. They must now chiefly turn to schemes of self-help—or remain oppressed.

THE PROBLEM.

An American correspondent of the Howard Association writes (1899):—"The negro trouble has become so great that, I fear, the difficulty can never be setttled but with blood."

The problem is indeed a vast one, and of pressing import to the United States, both North and South. Is the Christianity of that great nation to remain impotent for the solution? Are the colored people to be driven to what now appears to be their only means of relief—by self-help, through imitating the methods of their adversaries in the formation of Secret Societies and powerful and compact, Organized Unions, for defence and offence? It is only thus, that they can make themselves what they must be, somehow respected and feared as a race? But what else are they to do, unless the white race bestirs itself for other efforts than continuing oppression?

SNAP SHOTS IN PORTO RICO

Some of the Many Interesting Sights to Be Seen There.

The advent of Sunday in Porto Rico is marked chiefly by an exodus of those of sporting taste across the bay to pictureque Catania for a cockfight; to the Porto Ricanean soul dearer than things more spiritual. Transportation is taxed to its utmost. The fussy little ferry boat, the only one in Porto Rico by the way, with a motley freight, and puffing and panting scurries away to overtake the cloud of felucca-like boats which, with slanting sails, are skimming ahead.

Arrived on the other side, the sailing craft touch land as best they may, the male passengers wade ashore, carrying in their arms squealing but acquiescent, their feminine companions; and old Pedro, the boatman, a gigantic African, dubbed Dom Pedro by his patrons, with an air of placid satisfaction, leads the way to the scene of action.

Below the Casa Blanca, the palace of Ponce de Leon, is port Catalina, his stronghold. It contains of few humorous suggestions on Spanish armament and cannon lore. One of its pieces is an old mortar, dating from ancient times. Its type is obsolete, as are the shells, piled close by. No one knows when last its voice spoke or precisely what might happen if ever it should

OLD SPANISH MORTAR.

speak again. It is one of many ancient guns in the ports of San Juan believed by the natives to be impregnable.

Very strange it seems in this atmosphere of the middle ages to see positive America, hoplessly modern, as unconcernedly busy with military matters as at the most prosaic home port. Every day groups of keen-faced signal service men are seen, with a heliograph, flashing messages to and fro as the steady practice goes on which helps to mould "the man behind the guns."

Stretching away from San Juan eastward is the only highway leading from the city, and, running along beside, a liliputian railroad soon to become, under the American touch, a trolley line. Its diminutive track, of twenty-two inch gauge, has its way through avenues of palms, past country homes, conveying those who seek in hours of leisure space and cool air. In the train next to the engine is a private car of which the management is very proud. It was made in the native shops, by native hands, of native wood very beautiful in finish and tone. Externally and internally it is skillfully carved, each seat arm forming a lions or a griffin's head, and, studying the real beauty of its detail, the conviction grows that here is a people capable of education and art.

Nor is there wanting other evidence that in this people is inherent a touch of art. The embroidery of the educated women is wonderfully beautiful, and there are native artists of no mean order who work their lives away for a few pesos. Manuel E. Jordan is one of these, a Pintor Paisagista—landscape artist. His work glows with the thrill of tropic life. A typical white native, in intelligence of high caste, but very poor except in those living possessions which serve to accentuate the sting of poverty.

Trade of the Ladrones.

Some indication of the trade of the Ladrone Islands is given in figures included in a recent report of Chief Frank H. Hitchcock, of the foreign markets section of the agricultural department. It is shown that the imports into the United States from the Ladrones and the Caroline Islands combined in 1897 had a value of $5,047; in 1887, ten years previously, of $3,828, and in 1889, of $242,487. The merchandise comprehended in the last named figures, however, was sugar, which probably came originally from the Philippines. The only available figures as to the exports is for 1890, when the exports from the United States to the Ladrones and the Carolines were to the value $8,884. What trade the Ladrones have is mostly with other Pacific islands.

Western Australia exported to Guam in the Ladrones, $108,484 of domestic merchandise in 1887, and but $15,183 in 1892, and foreign merchandise fluctuating from $15 in 1887 to $242 in 1894. The total exports from Western Australia to Guam in 1896 were $137,430.

Exports from New South Wales to Guam increased from $8,915 of domestic merchandise in 1889, to $15,145 in 1891, and in 1896 the foreign merchandise exported to Guam was only $19.

Although Victoria's commerce with the Philippines during 1887-97 was extremely small, exports of considerable value were sent to Guam. In 1892-96 the average annual value of the merchandise, foreign and domestic, shipped from Victoria to Guam reached as high as $868,209. Domestic merchandise shipped from Victoria into Guam is mostly wheat, wheat flour and biscuits.

The total exports from Guam to Queensland were $2,789 in 1889, and $20 in 1890 of domestic merchandise, and of foreign merchandise just $10 in 1892. New Zealand does a better business with the islands, her shipments to Guam footing up $14,531 in 1893 of domestic merchandise, and $63 of foreign merchandise in 1896.

Pocket picking is an occupation that admits of a vast display of ingenuity. While disclaiming any particular merit for that country, says a London newspaper, it is an undisputable fact that again England is in the van of all nations in that her pickpockets hold their own against all foreign competition. In London alone over 100,000 men, women and children gain their daily bread entirely by this unscrupulous mode of living.

THE CITY OF CIENFUEGOS.

A Gateway Through Which Passes a Great Percentage of Cuban Export.

THE BACK DOOR OF CUBA

Some of the Largest and Best Estates Are in Its Immediate Vicinity.

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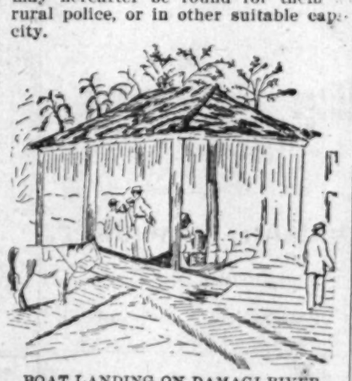
To the American observer, Cienfuegos should properly be one of the most satisfactory cities of the tropics. Its streets are of good width, and it actually has footways which are entitled to the name of sidewalks. It is almost possible to walk three abreast. There is a large and beautiful park, iron-fenced with gardens and palm trees. The park is fronted by an imposing church edifice, a notable theatre building, fine club house and various other creditable structures, says a writer in the Indianapolis News. There are a number of buildings, both commercial and residential, which are far above the Cuban average. There is an unusual number of stores which are spacious and which offer that attractiveness which results from spaciousness. Yet, somehow, I do not like the place. It may be that its approximation of American standards for cities of 30,000 people is the cause of my little dislike for it, because it suggests and yet so fails to realize the American standard.

Giving Havana the credit of being Cuba's portal, the city of Cienfuegos is Cuba's back door. It is an important gateway, and through it there passes every year a considerable percentage of Cuban export. The chief industry is sugar-raising, and some of the largest and best estates on the island are to be found in the immediate vicinity of the city. Their business was very seriously interrupted during the war, and some proprietors were badly crippled. There was not, however, the wide spread destruction which occurred in some other districts.

There is a strong Spanish interest in the vicinity, and a considerable Spanish garrison occupied the territory. A story which is quite characteristic of Cuban methods of warfare is told in all seriousness by an ex-officer of the Cuban army. "During the war," he says, "the Spanish sent an army of 40,000 men into Santa Clara province. After marching through the country for a time they returned and reported the pacification of the district." When we heard that we came down from the hills and burned many cane fields, to show them that we were as much enraged as ever." Enough of the destruction occurred to seriously impair the industry, and good authorities estimate the crop at from a quarter to a third of the normal.

The labor question of the district is presenting serious phases. Hands are wanted on many estates to prepare the ground for the crops. At least 2,000 laborers are wanted. The laborers are here, but they will not go to work. They are soldiers and patriots. They are certainly a disreputable looking lot of soldiers, from a military standpoint, and their patriotism semms to manifest itself chiefly in philandering around, carrying a gun and machete, and living on the charity of the impoverished peasantry. It is not easy to see why these peple could not be officially mustered out and returned to productive activity on the soil, pending the distribution of any moneys which may be coming to them, and any use which may hereafter be found for them as rural police, or in other suitable capacity.



BOAT LANDING ON DAMAGI RIVER.

The city of Cienfuegos is in need of sundry reforms, some which are of a local character and some of which depend upon the general system of island government. Most of them are of equally imperative consideration in other cities of Cuba. Cienfuegos needs a water supply. The present institution is only notable because of its inadequacy.

Another greatly needed reform is along municipal lines, and concerns the matter of taxation. Under orders from the department of the Governor-General, cities are not allowed to impose and collect any taxes save a few which, under the old regime, were known as municipal taxes. They are few in number, and utterly insignificant with one exception. That exception formed the bulk of the amount collected, and represents a tax which is a disgrace to civilization. It is vicious and pernicious, and yet it is the only one of any moment which the authorities now permit the municipalities to collect for municipal expenses. This is the meat tax. The right to kill cattle was sold at auction to the highest bidder. The successful bidder often farmed out his contract in sections at a handsome profit.

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